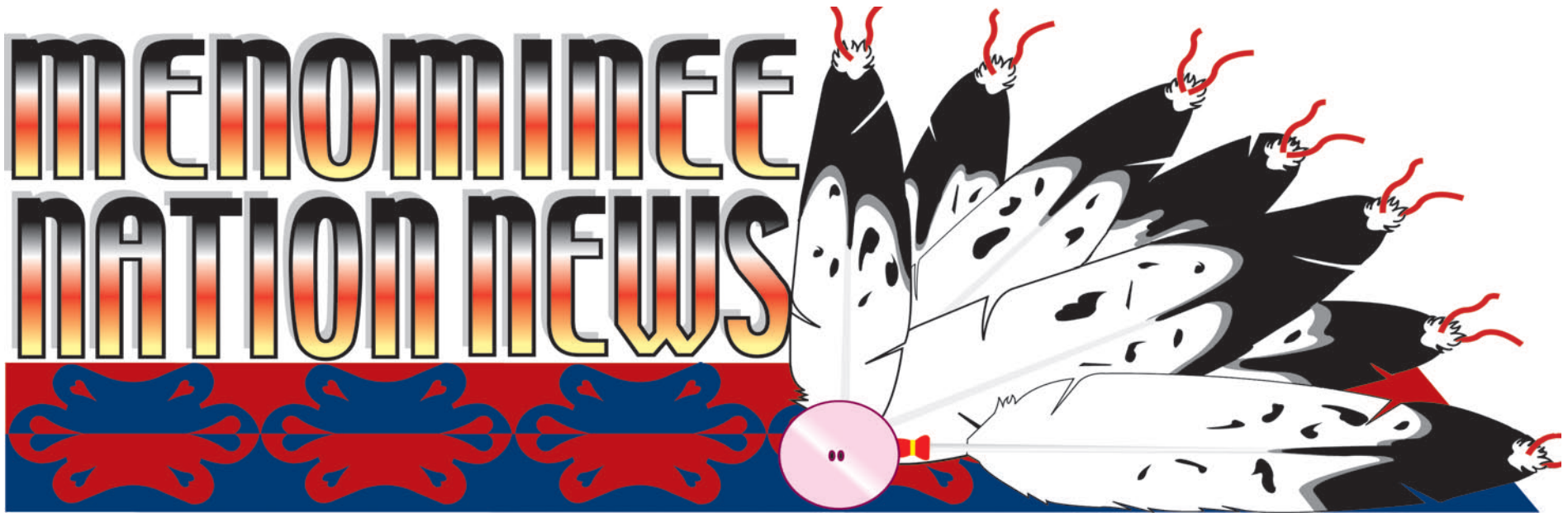


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Tribe passes Relinquishment Ordinance

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On November 21, 2002, the Menominee Tribal Legislature passed Ordinance No. 02-39, Relinquishment. The purpose of the ordinance is to make clear the status of people who have relinquished their membership in the Menominee Tribe.

Eileen Schultz, Director of the Menominee Enrollment Office, suggests that the person check for eligibility for enrollment with the other tribe first. Each tribe has its own policies and procedures for enrollment. The Ho-Chunk will not accept your enrollment if you have relinquished enrollment in another tribe. The Potawatomi Tribe will not enroll you if you have accepted money from another tribe. Although the Stockbridge-Munsee allow people to apply for enrollment, they caution that there is no tribal housing available. So it is good to check before making the decision to relinquish.

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Logging Camp Museum gets decorated for Christmas



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The Menominee Logging Camp Museum was decorated for Christmas by the Menominee Culture Class of the Menominee High School. Pictured are Terry Wescott, Language Trainee; Miss Lillian Nelson, Language Consultant; William Boivin, Student; Dave Oshkosh, Volunteer; Dalen Beauprey, Student; Kristin Matchapatow, Student (in front); Mindy Schlichting, Student (on ladder); Easter Shawanokasic, Teacher; and Sharon Cox, Student.

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For three days, the students from the Menominee Culture Class at the High School visited the Menominee Logging Camp Museum and site of the Menominee Historic Preservation Office to decorate for Christmas.

Supervised by their teacher, Easter Shawanokasic, the students enjoyed themselves as they strung lights across the buildings, so they could be seen from the road. An 8-foot wreath was made from cedar, Princess Pine, and hemlock boughs. Other decorations were hung up.

Terry Wescott, language

trainee, brought in some home-baked cookies, rice krispie treats, and hot chocolate for the students. She and "Miss Lillian" Nelson entertained the students by singing Jingle Bells in Menominee.

Neopit Senior Center hosts Mitten Tree for Headstart children



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Elders from the Neopit Senior Center present mittens to the Headstart. Pictured are: Myrtle Caldwell (seated); Rowena Oshkosh; Mona Wheelock; Rose Nahquaw; Loretta LaMotte, and Ellen Lyons, Family Services Manager.

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